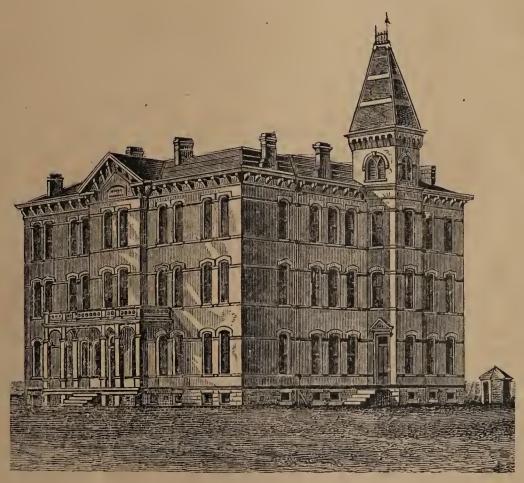
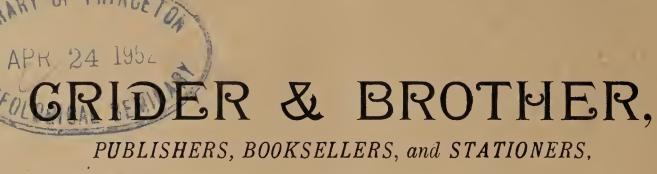
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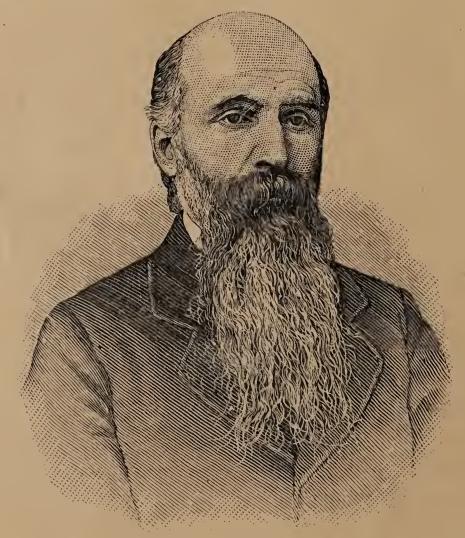
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DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—FIRST SESSION.

FEBRUARY 21, 1889.

The eighty-ninth session of the East Pennsylvania Annual Conference of the United Brethren in Christ was held in the Memorial U. B. Church in Harrisburg, Pa., commencing at 8:30 A. M., on Thursday, February 21, 1889.

Bishop N. Castle, of Elkhart, Ind, called the Conference to order and announced the hymn commencing, "And are we yet alive," which was sung, and the Bishop led the Conference in devout prayer for the blessing of Almighty God upon its deliberations.

He then read as a Scripture lesson, Romans 12: 9-21, and supplemented it with a plain, practical address to the Conference bearing upon the work in hand and the spirit in which it should be accomplished.

Following the Bishop's address, the Conference was again led in prayer by Rev. Z. A. Colestock, of the Pennsylvania Conference.

It was agreed that the Conference elect a recording and a statistical secretary and pay them \$20.

G. W. M. Rigor and M. J. Mumma were re-elected to the respective positions.

The bar of the Conference was fixed at the fifth seat, and it was resolved that no vote be counted from any member outside the bar.

Howard Walmer and Vernie Rettew were recognized as pages.

The time of meeting was fixed at 9.00 A. M. and 2.00 P. M. to adjourn on motion.

The following were recognized as reporters of the daily papers, to-wit:

Rev. Z. A. Weidler, for Harrisburg Morning Call.

Rev. George A. Doyle, for Reading Eagle.

Rev. J. Francis Smith, for Lancaster New Era.

Rev. J. A. Lyter, for Philadelphia Press.

Rev. H. D. Lehman, for Philadelphia Ledger.

Rev J. B. Funk, for Philadelphia Record.

Rev. J. X. Quigley, for Harrisburg Telegraph.

The names of James A. Hamilton and A. M. Hackman, from Lancaster Circuit; Frederick Reel, from St. Paul Church, Philadelphia; P. H. Garrett, from Middletown; Wm. Beach, from Columbia, and Horace G. Clair, from Highspire, were properly recommended by their respective quarterly conferences and presented to Conference for license to preach the gospel, and were referred to the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry.

The names of ministers not in charge of fields of labor were called and their characters passed as follows: E. A. G. Bosler, W. L. Byers, I. Carpenter, H. T. Denlinger, M. P. Doyle, P. E. Dietrich, D. S. Early, S. C. Enck, I. M. Groff, C. D. Harp, A. H. Kauffman, J. H. Kurtz, E. Light, G. A. Loose, S. L. Minnick, H. V. Mohn, Simon Mower, J. F. Mower, H. H. Mower, A. B. Mower, J. X. Quigley, P. J. Riland, I. W. Sneath, Jacob Stehman, J. G. Steiner, S. L. Swartz, J. H. Unger, and S. Zimmerman.

When the name of I. W. Sneath was reached, a letter from him was read asking for an honorable dismissal from the Conference, which was granted.

When the name of I. Carpenter was called, the following

letter from him was read, and it was ordered that it be published in the minutes:

LETTER OF I. CARPENTER.

To the Bishop and Members of Annual Conference.

DEAR BRETHREN:—May grace, mercy, and peace attend your sessions. Still on the shores of time, able to do a little work for the Master. Have helped our tried and faithful pastor occasionally, preaching some eight or twelve times. Occupied the pulpit of Rev. J. B. Light before and after his lamented end; and at an interesting revival at Port Providence near Phænixville. Now my dear brethren, farewell. Here we see through a glass darkly, but then face to face.

May the spirit of all wisdom control your hearts and minds in your important deliberation. I have tried to write with my own hand—a blind man's work.

I. CARPENTER.

David Strickler having died during the year, his name was referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

Isaiah Baltzell, presiding elder of Harrisburg District, read his report, which was adopted and his character passed.

REPORT OF HARRISBURG DISTRICT, EAST PENNSYLVANIA CON-FERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN:—It is certainly a cause for congratulation that we are permitted once more to meet in annual session, after the toils, anxieties and conflicts of another year. Through the unbounded goodness and care of our heavenly Father,—my health has been preserved so that I have not lost a single Sabbath on the district during the year, and I am here to present to you my third annual report of the Harrisburg District.

The year has been a very pleasant one, and has been marked by an unusual degree of harmony. The appointments made at the last Conference for this district have proved satisfactory to pastors and people. The salary agreed upon by each pastor and his quarterly conference has been, with one or two exceptions, paid in full. The amounts assessed to the several charges for the various interests of the Church have received the attention of the pastors, and but little deficiency will be found on the chart.

The district is composed of twelve stations, one circuit, and four missions. The stations are all in excellent condition, and revivals have

occurred at all of them. Among the number that have shared largely in this respect we may mention Oberlin, Columbia, Steelton, Mountville, Middletown, Elizabethtown, and East Harrisburg. Oberlin, constituted a station one year ago, is entitled to the banner for conversions and accessions. Florin Circuit has not shared largely in revival power, but in spirituality it has improved. With its new church at Silver Spring, and the certainty of the union of the two churches at Florin, at the ensuing General Conference, it has the elements of a first class charge. Halifax Mission has done exceedingly well under the wise management of the pastor, in clearing itself of financial embarrassments. three church houses are now free from debt, and we trust that it will be possible at this conference to make it self-supporting, or nearly so. Lancaster Mission Station has not been favored with any extensive revival this year. It has lost heavily by removals, but its spiritual standard, to my mind, has improved. Its permanency is a fixed fact. It has raised a very large sum of money for various church purposes, for so young a society, and its lack of financial ability. It is entitled to your careful protection and support. West Steelton Mission was not supplied with a pastor and has been under care of Steelton Station. A lot has been selected with a view to build a chapel whenever circumstances will favor such an enterprise. They have a good Sun-lay-school, which is loing good work. Stoverdale Mission was not supplied for the reason that circumstances were unfavorable. That section of Harrisburg, commonly called Allison's Hill, should have immediate attention by the Conference. We must occupy it mow or it will be too late. Every year we hesitate we will live to regret. This Conference, at this session, ought to provide for the occupation of that ground at once; not by resolution only, but by the appointment of a good man and provision for his support—a man full of the spirit of self-sacrifice. With such a man, and such members as now live in that territory, success will only be a question of time.

At Steelton a new house of worship has been built and will be dedicated early in the spring. It will be decidedly the best house of worship in the Conference. The brethren there have undertaken a gigantic work, but their plans are so perfect, and the board of trustees so wide-awake and careful that success is assured. At Silver Springs, on the line of the R. & C. R. R, between Landisville and Columbia, a new church was dedicated last fall, free from any embarrassment. This is a new point on the Florin Circuit and promises good results. A revival of considerable interest was held a few weeks ago. A number

were converted and added to the church. A large Sunday-school is in full blast, and promises to be a good feeder to the church at that place. At Falmouth a new church is nearing completion, and will be ready for dedication in a few months. This church is attached to Centennial Station.

The Sunday-schools are increasing in number and usefulness, and becoming more and more a strong factor in our church work. There ought to be a better attendance of Sunday-school workers at our annual convention. Our own literature is used by all our Sunday-schools.

Stoverdale camp-meeting was very largely attended, and the services unusually spiritual. With the prospect of the new railroad passing the grounds we may look forward to a much larger attendance, and grander results in the future.

It is a source of real grief that so few comparatively, take the Religious Telescope. There ought to be one thousand subscribers to that cheap and most excellent paper, instead of but one third of that number as the chart will show. I trust there will be a grand rally along that line, especially as the Telescope, if subscribed for before the month of May, will contain the proceedings of the ensuing General Conference, which will be of especial interest to every lover of our zion.

The prospect is cheering! With the new era about to be inaugurated in the Church by the ensuing General Conference, we may confidently look forward to the time when this Conference, with her wealth, her intelligence, and her loyalty to God, to the old land marks, and to the principles of religion of Jesus Christ, will take her proud stand among the most progressive and enterprising of the conferences of the Church. What we need to-day is a baptism of power—a deeper, and fuller consecration to our God-given work. May the spirit of such consecration fall on us during this session.

The pastors of the district will please accept my unfeigned thanks for the many kindnesses they have shown me in many ways. And whether I serve them in the same capacity another year or not, they will always be held in grateful remembrance. Whole amount of salary received, \$678; whole amount of salary received after deducting house rent and traveling expenses, \$431.

Respectfully submitted.

I. BALTZELL.

H. B. Dohner, presiding elder of Lancaster District, read his report, which was adopted and his character passed.

REPORT OF THE LANCASTER DISTRICT.

To the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Greeting.

My DEAR BRETHREN: This is the first time I have the satisfaction and pleasure of reporting to you. The labors of the year were very generally pleasant. It affords me much gratification to state to you that I exceedingly appreciated the numerous and precious blessings conferred upon me by the "Giver of every good and perfect gift" during the current year, that I am still in the enjoyment of health and in the possession of life, and for the uniform courtesy and hospitality together with the many words of encouragement and sympathy, for the uniformly pleasant relations that were maintained with the ministers, laymen and others with whom I came in contact, and for their forbearance with their unworthy servant. I am impelled especially to congratulate the pastors of the district for their fidelity, enthusiasm, courage and indefatigable energy for the promotion of all the interests committed to their charge, and that by their intelligent apprehension of their sacred calling, sound judgment, prudent administration, self-sacrificing efforts and devotion to the trust obligatory upon them they have succeeded admirably. believe, that their course meets the Divine approbation and is worthy of the commendation of men.

During the year Rev. David Strickler one of our aged and worthy ministers who had excellent pulpit abilities, an untarnished character, and was unquestionably loyal to the Church departed this life and was transported from the church militant to the church triumphant, to the shores of a blissful immortality. The district is composed of fifteen charges: two mission stations, nine stations and four circuits.

Rev. G. W. Lightner, who had been appointed to Lancaster Circuit, immediately after conference resigned and the vacancy was filled at once by the appointment of Bro. A. M. Hackman. Rev. H. T. Denlinger resigned the pastorate of Camden Mission in August occasioned by an inadequate salary and other unfortunate surroundings. This vacancy was not supplied, upon the recommendation of the Church Extension Society under the supervision of which it was, at the time, and was directed to be transmitted to Mt. Pisgah to be under the administration of Rev. G. W. M. Rigor, the pastor of Mt. Pisgah Station. All the other brethren accepted their appointments cheerfully and remained during the year. It is not essential to take into consideration each charge, but may be provident to make special reference to several. St. John's Church on Intercourse Circuit, it is to be feared, is hopelessly involved in an aggravating

debt. At the beginning of the conference year it was discovered that an execution had been issued to sell the church-house, but by the persistent efforts of the pastor, Rev. P. A. Bowman, and others, the execution was stayed and the pressing demands paid, but the debt is so oppressive that unless financial aid can be obtained from the conference or unless there is a divine interposition, the charge cannot survive the pressure. A new church-house was erected at Camden under the pastorate or supervision of Bro. Rigor, costing \$775, of which one hundred and three dollars is reported to have been paid and about forty subscribed.

I am of the impression that financial aid will be solicited from the Conference. I was not apprised of this movement until after the chapel had been completed and opened for religious services, and in case of any emergency arising therefrom, I am not to be held responsible for it. Mt. Pisgah should have the co-operation of the entire Conference. Here lies before us a field of great usefulness, but we must have in the near future a more convenient and commodious building for the accommodation of those in attendance and for the attraction of others residing in the immediate community or section of the city.

Several churches were renovated, at Mt. Pisgah and St. Paul's, Philadelphia and Pequa Station. St. Paul's Church at Port Richmond, Philadelphia, was at the last East German Conference transferred to our Conference. Two churches were dedicated, one at Green Hill on Manor Station, and the other at Retton on Lancaster Circuit, and one is now in course of erection at Mt. Shiloh on Springfield Station, with the expectation of having it ready for dedication by spring. Three camp-meetings were held on the district during the year, one at Cape May Point, one on Ephrata Circuit and another on Manor Station. The Christians attending them had their spiritual strength renewed and at all of these, sinners were converted. The only actually objectionable feature is the Sabbath desecration they encourage. There should be a unanimous protestation to this common violation of the holy Sabbath. Fifty-four quarterlies were held; sixty-two candidates baptized; — sinners converted; - accessions to the church. Five persons were granted quarterly conference license to preach the Gospel and three are recommended by their respective quarterly conferences to the annual conference for admission.

A conference ministerial association was held at Ephrata with good results.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

There should be a recognition of the fact that the Sabbath-schools are more thoroughly organized now than at any time previous in the history

of the Conference, as they are more in harmony with the law, letter and spirit of the discipline of the Church. The numerical increase is very evident. In a number of the schools every available seat is occupied which makes it necessary to have more commodious departments, as they are not having accommodations for those eager to be in attendance, and many in consequence of this will be constrained to seek more congenial homes, and thus be lost to the Church. The teaching power is also increased because a respectable number have become more conversant with the Holy Bible, the teacher's text-book, have become more familiar with the improved methods and principles of teaching, and therefore their instructions are more in harmony with the standard of the Church, and as a result more effectual. The moral and spiritual tone are likewise of a higher standard. Hence the conversions from the Sabbath-school and accessions to the Church are of more frequent occurrence, and the consequence is the Sunday-schools co-operate more fully with and contribute more effectually to the power of the Church.

The music so ably composed by Rev. I. Baltzell and President E. S. Lorenz, and the literature so adequately edited by Dr. Berger, are almost universally patronized. The financial condition is also improved. Larger contributions are more easily secured than formerly.

One thing is to be lamented, several Sunday-schools still adhere with great tenacity to "the good old way" of freezing up and out during the winter season, but in the spring, with the dissolution of the frost, they make their appearance again. There is also a tendency to organize union schools where it is practicable to establish United Brethren schools. A conference Sunday-school convention was held at Lebanon in the early part of the year. It was largely attended and hopes are entertained that it resulted in the accomplishment of great good.

May grace, mercy and peace from God, the Father, and Jesus Christ, our Lord, rest upon all.

Yours faithfully submitted, H. B. Dohner.

The Bishop announced the following committees:

On Devotion.—H. C. Phillips, I. Baltzell, and J. X. Quigley.

On Candidates for the Ministry.—J. B. Funk, H. C. Phillips, and L. Peters.

On Elders' Orders. -J. W. Etter, E. Ludwick, and D. D. Lowery.

On Boundaries.—I. Baltzell, H. B. Dohner, E. L. Hughes, G. W. M. Rigor, L. R. Kramer, M. P. Sanders, J. S. Wisler, B. H. Engle, and S. N. Eby.

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On Memoirs — J. W. Etter and L Peters.

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The following were granted advisory seats: Rev. Z. A. Colestock, John H. Young and J. L. Grimm, of the Pennsylvania, and J. B. Daugherty, of East German Conference.

Revs. S. L. Tompkins, E. H. Yocum, and S. W. Sears, of the M. E. Church, were introduced to Conference.

Adjourned with prayer by John H. Young.

FIRST DAY—SECOND SESSION.

Conference met at 2:00 p. m., Bishop Castle in the chair. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. B. Daugherty.

The hearing of reports of traveling preachers and examination of character were begun, and the names of G. W. M. Rigor, L. R. Kramer, J. W. Etter, U. S. G. Renn, J. F. Smith, T. Garland, J. G. Smoker, G. A. Doyle, M. A. Salt, Jos. Young, and P. A. Bowman, of the Lancaster District, and J. R. Meredith, M. P. Sanders, Z. C. Mower, E. L. Hughes, Z. A. Weidler, J. B. Funk, M. J. Mumma, H. D. Lehman, L. Peters, and E. Ludwick, of the Harrisburg District, were called, their reports heard and characters passed.

Bishop John Dickson, D. D., of Chambersburg, Pa., arrived and took his seat as Associate Bishop.

A resolution approving the action of the Church Extension Society in recalling the missionary at Camden, N. J., and attaching the mission to Mt. Pisgah Church, Philadelphia, was laid on the table until the report of the Church Extension Society is heard.

Revs. W. H. Reineck, of the Evangelical Association; Ellis N. Kremer, of the Reformed Church; S. C. Swallow, of the M. E. Church; C. Wright, of the African M. E. Church, and F. M. Jacobs, of the African M. E. Zion Church, were introduced to Conference.

Rev. J. W. Grimm, of the Pennsylvania Conference, was voted an advisory seat.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. C. Wright.

SECOND DAY-FIRST SESSION.

FEBRUARY 22, 1889.

Conference met at 9:00 A.M., Bishop Castle in the chair, with Bishop Dickson associate.

Devotional exercises were conducted by S. L. Swartz.

Roll was called and thirty-eight ministers and twenty-one lay delegates answered to their names.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The hearing of reports of itinerant preachers of Harrisburg District was resumed, and the names of J. A. Lyter, D. D. Lowery, and S. R. Gipple were called, their reports heard and character passed.

Prof. E. Benj. Bierman was elected Railroad Secretary for the Conference.

The Committee on Candidates for the Ministry submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

Your Committee on Candidates for the Ministry report the following: There appeared before us A. M. Hackman, J. A. Hamilton, William Beach, H. G. Clair, and Frederick Reel. We examined them carefully,

and found them sound in doctrine. We therefore recommend them to Conference for license to preach the gospel.

We also present the name of P. H. Garrett, who has been examined by Prof. J. P. Landis of Union Biblical Seminary and recommended by him for license to preach. Respectfully submitted.

J. B. Funk, Lewis Peters, H. C. Phillips. Committee.

The Committee on Third Year's Course of Reading submitted its report, which was adopted:

THIRD YEAR'S COURSE OF READING.

Your Committee on Third Year's Course of reading has the following to report:

We examined Rev. J. G. Smoker on the topics named in discipline, and found him ready in quoting proof-texts, and fairly familiar in the definition and defense of doctrine. He read all the books required, and presented a written sermon. We recommend that he be referred to the Committee on Ordination.

J. W. Etter,

G. W. M. RIGOR, L. PETERS.

Committee.

J. G. Smoker was referred to Committee on Elders' Orders after the usual questions by the Bishop were answered affirmatively.

The secretary read the report of C. D. Harp, Committee on Sunday-schools, and after remarks by E. Ludwick its further consideration was deferred until evening.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The history of the Sunday-school work well attests its significance and importance. Growing out of a special need, the Sunday-school has been a powerful ally to the Church, and is to-day indispensable; and though it may be said to have a special and unique mission of its own, the Church and the Sunday-school stand in a reciprocal relation, and have interests in common.

We commonly say the Sunday-school is the nursery of the Church.

Confessedly, then, church work cannot be successfully maintained and carried forward without the Sunday-school. The church must therefore recognize and lend aid to this most important adjunct of church work. It should seek to promote and foster the same in all possible ways; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we recognize the supreme importance of the Sunday-school work.

- 2. That we seek to make it more potent and far-reaching in its influence, and as a means to this end: (a) That we aim to popularize it by making our Sunday-school rooms more cheerful and attractive with suitable furniture, pictures, mottoes and other fitting decorations. (b) That we make the music a special feature of the work, and as a means of greater attractiveness, that we encourage the use of the cornet and stringed instruments as important and necessary as well as piano or organ. (c) That special inducements to attendance particularly for the primary department be offered in use of cards and suitable premiums.
- 3. That we seek for greater efficiency in the teaching force of our Sunday-schools.
- 4. That we recommend as far as practicable the holding of institutes on our fields of labor.
- 5. That we commend the Sunday-school Normal Course as helpful Bible study and highly important for both teachers and scholars.
- 6. That we favor the graded system wherever it can be successfully carried on.
- 7. That in addition to the regular International Lessons, were commend particularly for the lower grades of scholars the memorizing of scripture verses, as by this means very useful Bible knowledge may be acquired otherwise not attainable.
- 8. That we are in hearty sympathy with the Sunday-school missionary enterprise of the Church both general and local.
- 9. That we accept from the General Board a proportionate assessment for the fund necessary to carry on the work.
- 10. That we see to it that all our Sunday-schools are provided with United Brethren literature.
- 11. That we acknowledge with devout thanksgiving the special favor of almighty God upon this great work of the Christian church under which favor and benediction so much has been achieved.

Respectfully submitted, C. D. HARP,

Committee.

The following resolution was read by the secretary, and, upon motion, was made the order of the day at 4:00 o'clock P. M.:

Resolved, That we hereby request the presiding Bishop to appoint the next session of the East Pennsylvania Conference to convene the first Thursday of October, 1889.

Revs. J. R. Hutchinson and A. H. Rice, of Baltimore District; C. T. Stearn, W. H. Shearer and I. H. Albright, of the Pennsylvania Conference, and J. W. Buchter, of the East German Conference, were granted advisory seats.

Revs. S. S. Chubb, P. E. of the Harrisburg District, and S. L. Weist, both of the Evangelical Association, were introduced to Conference.

Adjourned with benediction by J. W. Etter.

SECOND DAY—SECOND SESSION.

Conference met at 2:00 p. m., Bishop Castle in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. P. A. Bowman.

Dr. B. F. Booth, of East Ohio Conference, acting secretary of Missionary Society; Dr. J. W. Hott, editor Religious Telescope, of the Virginia Conference; Prof. W. S. Ebersole, of the Allegheny Conference, and Revs. S. D. Faust, A. L. Shannon, and H. A. Schlichter, P. E. of Chambersburg District, of the Pennsylvania Conference, were voted advisory seats.

Revs. H. C. Pardoe, P. E. of Harrisburg District, and Thos. S. Wilcox, both of the M. E. Church; J. Hafleigh, J. H. Esterline, Dr. J. M. Carvell and B. F. Beck, of the Church of God; George W. Snyder, of the Reformed Church; H. M. Hocker, of the Lutheran Church, and Rev. W. A. West, of the Presbyterian Church, were introduced to Conference and invited to sit within the bar.

The Committee on Boundaries submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON BOUNDARIES.

The Committee on Boundaries submit the following:

- 1. That the request of the Official Board of Ephrata be granted, namely, that Ephrata be constituted a station.
- 2. That Paradise Church, of Ephrata Circuit be constituted a station to be called Paradise Station.
 - 3. That Hinbleton be attached to New Holland Station.
- 4. That Birdsboro be detached from Springfield Station and constituted Birdsboro Station.
- 5. That Mt. Tabor appointment be recognized as belonging to Intercourse Circuit.
- 6. That the Woodland Avenue and Emanuel churches in Camden, N. J., and Clearville in West Philadelphia be constituted a mission to be called Camden Mission.
- 7. That Mt. Pleasant Church be detached from Lancaster Circuit and together with Monument Church be constituted a station to be called Mt. Pleasant Station.
 - 8. That Lititz Circuit be attached to Lancaster Circuit.
- 9. That the name of the charges, Middleton, be changed to Middleton and East Middleton.
- 10. That we recommend to the Board of Church Extension Society the propriety of opening a mission on Allison Hill, Harrisburg.
- 11. That Lancaster Covenant Church be detached from Harrisburg and attached to Lancaster District.

Respectfully submitted,

- I. BALTZELL,
 H. B. DOHNER,
 G. W. M. RIGOR,
 M. P. SANDER,
 E. L. HUGHES,
 L. R. KRAMER,
 J. S. WISLER,
 S. N. EBY,
 B H. ENGLE,

 Committee.
- H. D. Lehman, collector of Conference collection, reported having received \$198.00; deficient, \$2.00.

Z. A. Weidler, collector of Educational Beneficiary Fund, reported \$65.50 collected and deficient \$7.50.

Jos. Young, treasurer Contingent Fund, reported having received \$65.00.

Jos. Young, treasurer Preachers' Aid Society, reported as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PREACHER'S AID SOCIETY.

Receipts.

Balance on hand at last Conference	\$232.09
Received for rents	168.00
	\$400.09
Expenses.	
Paid to claimants on fund to wit:-	
I. Carpenter, \$50.00; Mrs. Clair, \$10.00; Mrs. Funk, \$50.00.	
Paid to Geo. A. Mark estate on mortgage, \$46.00; interest	
on same, \$62.76	\$108.76
Paid for repairs and improvement of real estate	44.53
Paid for insurance	1.22
Paid for taxes	3.42
Paid for recording papers, &c	5.00
	\$272 93
Balance on hand	\$127.16
Joseph	H Young. Treasurer.

The report was referred to the Auditing Committee.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We the undersigned, have carefully audited the above report and find it correct.

E. Benj. Bierman, S. N. Eby.

Committee.

- H. B. Dohner reported as having received \$46.90 for General Sunday-school Fund.
- M. J. Mumma, secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Preachers' Aid Society, submitted the following report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY.

The Trustees of the Preachers' Aid Society of the East Pennsylvania. Conference would respectfully submit to the Conference the following:

- I. As to the settlement with the estate of George A. Mark, deceased, late treasurer of the Society.
- 1. We find that the said Geo. A. Mark in his accounts with the Society for the year 1886 had charged himself as having received for rents and interests, \$136; and as having paid to claimants on the fund by order of the Conference, \$70; and for incidental expenses on real estate, \$63.61; total, \$133.61; leaving a balance in favor of the Society of \$2.39.
- 2. The said Geo. A. Mark, while erecting improvements on the real estate of the Society had given his personal note for \$1,124.22, the payment of which the Society assumed, and after deducting the amount of \$2.39 shown above left a balance in favor of the estate of \$1,121.83.
- 3. On this amount, the sum of \$75.83 has been paid and our treasurer, Joseph Young, was instructed to effect a mortgage on our real estate, on easy terms, in favor of the estate of Geo. A. Mark for the balance due of \$1,046, which was accordingly done, and since then, to the present date, the sum of \$46 and the interest due was paid, leaving a debt on the real estate of \$1,000.
- 4. Our treasurer has received from the executrix of Geo. A. Mark's estate, as the effects of the Society in his possession at the time of his decease:
- (1.) Title papers for a tract of ground and buildings thereon, on College Avenue, Annville, Pa.
- (2.) Two policies of fire insurance in the Washington Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Lebanon, Pa.
- (3.) A promissory note for \$139 bearing interest since March 16, 1878.
- (4.) Notes of a donative character aggregating the sum of \$90—only \$20 of which we think is available.

We would also state that Mrs. Mark, the executrix of the estate, has retained in her possession two notes belonging to the Society, covering \$300, bearing interest, as an indemnity for a note held by the estate against the East Pennsylvania Conference for \$183.52, bearing interest since March 18, 1878. We would respectfully ask Conference to take proper measures to secure these notes to the Society.

II. As to the present condition of the Society.

Assets and Liabilities.

Value of real estate	\$2,500	00		
Amount of promissory notes due (including those in	l			
hands of Mrs. Mark, executrix of Geo. Mark'	3			
estate)	. 439	00		
Interest on same	. 139	74		
Amount considered available on donation notes	. 20	00		
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Amount due on mortgage	\$1,000		3,098	14
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Assets over liabilities	•	\$	1,060	00
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Account for the Current Year.				
Amount in treasury February 24, 1888	.\$ 232	09		
Received as per account of treasurer to annual co	n-			
ference	168	09		
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Expended as per statement of treasurer to annual con	a -		ф х 00	
ference		93		
Balance on hand			\$127	16
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The old board was re-elected. (See officers of Conference societies.)

The Committee on Elders' Orders read their report, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON ELDERS' ORDERS.

We your Committee on Elders' Orders report that J. G. Smoker appeared before us, and we examined him as per discipline, and found him satisfactory.

J. W. ETTER,

E. LUDWICK,

D. D. LOWERY.

Committee.

E. Ludwick, Committee on Church Erection, submitted his report, and after some remarks by C. T. Stearn, E. Ludwick, and Dr. Booth, it was adopted.

REPORT ON CHURCH ERECTION.

"The groves were God's first temples;" but as the race advanced, and farms, villages and cities supplanted the "groves," it became necessary to build houses for worship. Hence we are told of Solomon's temple, the tabernacle, synagogue, and church in bible story. Many of our church-houses to-day are similar to the dwelling of the "sons of the prophets—too strait for us"—and need either enlarging, or new buildings. In order to accomplish this great and important work, a society systematically organized, and equipped with the necessary means, is demanded. Hence the great need of our church erection society is at once patent to all. Feeling that the society, from the very nature of our church work, demands our hearty co-operation in raising funds for its use; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we heartily endorse, and earnestly aid every step taken by the board in securing funds for this purpose.

- 2. That our prayers and work shall heartily be tendered for its further advancement.
- 3. That we will do all in our power to awaken a deeper interest among the laity of our Church in its behalf.
- 4. That ministers be requested to more fully elucidate the importance of said society to their people the coming year—that cheerful contributions may result.
- 5. The East Pennsylvania Conference memorializes the General Conference to separate the Church Erection Society from the missionary society, and put it on a basis that it may work more efficiently on its own merit.

 Respectfully submitted.

E. LUDWICK.

D. D. Lowery, Committee on Missions, read the following report, and after some remarks by Dr. Booth and others the report was adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

The great mission of the church in the world will not have been accomplished until she has carried to the utmost bounds of human habitation the glad tidings of salvation. The gospel dispensation was ushered in by the announcement of the angel to the shepherds: "Behold, I bring you

good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." Before ascending on high our Lord gave the Church this command: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." The obvious meaning of these scriptures is that Christianity is to have no geographical boundary, and that it is adapted to all classes and conditions of mankind. No church, therefore, can thrive that lacks the spirit of missionary enterprise. She must carry the burning lamp of truth into the dark corners of the earth, whether at home or abroad, if she hopes at last to be approved of her great Head: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou has been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord." Since therefore the church is a soul-saving institution, reaching out her hand to rescue the perishing everywhere, be it,

Resolved, 1. That we will consecrate ourselves anew to this great work, and, by the help of God, devote the energies of our whole being to the advancement of the cause of missions.

- 2. That we will endeavor to raise all the money assessed for this purpose on our different fields of labor.
- 3. That we are gratified to learn of the success of our missionaries in the home, frontier and foreign fields, and that we will encourage them by our prayers, and by our larger contributions in the future to meet their pressing demands.
- 4. That the women be urged to connect themselves with the Woman's Branch Missionary Societies throughout the Conference, and that we hereby co-operate with them in their work.
- 5. That we express our commendation of the attitude of the American Board of Missions regarding her opposition to the Andover perversion of some of the fundamental doctrines of the gospel, and in excluding from her missionary ranks all such as have been tainted by these Andover perversions.

 D. D. LOWERY.

Committee.

The resolution on change of time for meeting of Conference was taken up and passed.

On motion, the time for Conference sermon and ordination service was fixed for Monday, at 2.00 P. M.

G. W. M. Rigor and M. J. Mumma were constituted a committee to nominate candidates for professor for Russell Biblical Chair and trustees for the same.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. A. H. Rice.

THIRD DAY—FIRST SESSION.

FEBRUARY 23, 1889.

Conference met at 9:00 A. M., Bishop Dickson in the chair.

Roll was called and fifty ministers and twenty-five lay delegates answered to their names.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The further consideration of the report on Sunday-schools was resumed, and after remarks by H. B. Dohner it was adopted.

The Committee on Second Years' Course read the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON SECOND YEARS' COURSE OF READING.

We your Committee on Second Years' Course of Reading beg leave to submit the following report: There appeared before us J. F. Smith and J. H. Kurtz who were examined according to discipline and found them sound in doctrine, they having read the books required. We therefore recommend their passage to third years' course.

Z. A. WEIDLER,

J. B. Funk,

J. X. QUIGLEY.

Committee.

The treasurer of the Conference Church Extension Society read his report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE CHURCH EXTENSION FUND TREASURER.

HARRISBURG, Pa., February 23, 1889.

Your Treasurer of the Conference Church Extension Fund would make the following report:—

February 23, 1888, received at Conference at Columbia........ \$ 803.77 February 23, 1888, paid M. J. Mumma, statistical

secretary \$ 10.00

February 23, 1888, paid G. W. M. Rigor, recording

secretary 10.00

February 23, 1888, paid postage and stationery...... 5.00

March 1, 1888, paid for copy of attorney's opinion.... 1.00

April 25, 1888, paid G. W. M. Rigor's expenses to Lan-		
caster	3.47	
May, 1888, paid Jacob Sneath's expenses to Philadel-		
phia	5.50	
September, 1888, paid H. T. Denlinger appropriation.	146.25	
November 9, 1888, paid E. B. Bierman, retaining fee	50.00	
February 19, 1889, paid H. C. Phillips on lot at		
Steelton	200.00	
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February 21, 1889, balance in treasury to date		372.55
February 23, 1889, received cash collected at Anni-		
versary	12.68	
February 23, 1889, received from the various charges.	803.33	
		816.01
February 23, 1889, balance in treasury at date		\$1,188.56
Respectfully submitted,		
	. S. W ₁	SLER,
	T_{i}	reasurer.

The Bishop announced H. C. Phillips, L. Peters, and H. H. Kreider to nominate candidates for trustees for Lebanon Valley College.

Z. C. Mower reported \$214.85 collected for U. B. Seminary.

M. J. Mumma, from Committee on Finance, read their report, which was adopted.

PROCEEDINGS.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

FIELDS OF LABOR.	Presiding Elder.	Missionary Collection.	Conference Church Extension Society.	Preachers' Aid Collection.	General Sunday-school Collection.	Church Erection.	U. B. Seminary.	Educational Beneficiary Fund.	Contingent Fund.	Conference Collection.	Missionary Debt.
HARRISBURG DISTRICT. Annville Station	\$50	\$ 67	\$ 90	\$ 5	\$4	\$4	\$10	\$4	\$8	\$20	
Columbia StationFlorin Circuit	$\begin{array}{c} 32 \\ 28 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 28 \\ 24 \end{array}$	$\frac{30}{30}$	$\frac{3}{2}$	$\frac{2}{2}$	$\frac{2}{1}$	$\frac{9}{10}$	3 1	4 3	8 8	75- 31
Halifax Mission Station Harrisburg Memorial Station	24 40	17 60	20 7 5	1 5	$\frac{1}{2}$	1 4	4 13	$\frac{2}{3}$	1 8	$\frac{3}{12}$	•••••
Harrisburg, East Station	32	24	30	3	ī	1	8	2	3	8	•••••
Harrisburg, Brookword Highspire Station	28	24	30	2	1	1	8	3	3	7	35
Hummelstown Station	30	28	35	2]	1	7	2	3	6	56
Middleton Station Middleton, East	$\begin{array}{c} 28 \\ 24 \end{array}$	$\frac{24}{13}$	30 20	$\frac{2}{1}$	1	1	4 3	1 1	$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$	5 3	33
Mt. Joy Station	28	30	35	3	$\frac{2}{2}$	3	8	$\frac{2}{2}$	4	6	46
Mountville Station Oberlin Station	30 28	$\begin{array}{c} 50 \\ 24 \end{array}$	65 30		1	2 1	11 10		3 5	8 7	•••••
Steelton Station	34	50	65	3	3	3	10	2	6	10	•••••
Steelton, West					••••		•••••			•••••	
LANCASTER DISTRICT.									•		
Camden Mission Station	\$7	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	
Birdsboro Station Ephrata Station	10 14	20 14	30 2 0		$\frac{2}{1}$	2 1	5 4	1	$\begin{vmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{vmatrix}$	3	
Intercourse Circuit	32	30	40	2	1	2	9	2	2	9	79
Lancaster Covenant Church Lancaster Circuit	$\begin{array}{c c} 24 \\ 12 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 20 \\ 16 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 25 \\ 16 \end{array}$		1	1	3 3	1	2 2 8	$\frac{6}{3}$	15
Lebanon Trinity Church	50	60	80	4	4	4	18	3		15	
Manheim Station	$\begin{array}{c c} 28 \\ 28 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 24 \\ 24 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 30 \\ 25 \end{array}$		1	1 1	6	1	4 3	6	
Mt. Pleasant Station	10	8	10	1	1	1	8 3		3	5	22
New Holland Station	40	50	50	3	2	2	16		4	10	
Paradise Station	18 28	18 13	$\begin{array}{c c} 25 \\ 15 \end{array}$	$\begin{vmatrix} 2\\1 \end{vmatrix}$	1	1	$\frac{6}{4}$	1 1	$\frac{3}{2}$	3	30
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah	20	12	16		1	1	2		1	3	
Philadelphia, St. Paul Reading, Otterbein	10 30	$\begin{array}{c} 2\\50\end{array}$	3 65	3	3	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1 6	7	17
Ruhl's Station	16	12	15	1	1	1	3		2	3	6
Springfield Station	28	20	25	2	11	1	7	1	3	4	55
Total for Lancaster District Total for Harrisburg District	405 436	398 463	1						53 55	92 111	224 276
Aggregate of Totals	841	861	1,080	68	48	52	226	54	108	203	500

We would recommend that all of the Conference Church Extension Fund realized above \$720 be applied towards the liquidating of the indebtedness of the missionary treasury.

M. J. Mumma,

J. X. QUIGLEY, M. P. DOYLE.

The itinerant list was corrected and George A. Doyle and J. F. Smith were admitted to the itinerancy.

- M. P. Sanders was granted a location for one year.
- W. L. Byers was granted a transfer to any Conference he may wish to join.
 - I. Baltzell and H. B. Dohner were elected presiding elders.
- S. L. Swartz and J. X. Quigley were elected to the Stationing Committee.
- Dr. J. W. Etter and G. W. M. Rigor, of Lancaster District, and J. B. Funk and H. C. Phillips, of the Harrisburg District, were elected to the Committee to Station the Presiding Elders.
- E. W. S. Parthermore, Conference historian, made a few remarks on the importance of collecting historical facts for future use, and was re-elected for the ensuing year.
 - H. B. Dohner was re-elected Sunday-school secretary.

Annville was selected as the place for the next meeting of Conference.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the East Pennsylvania Annual Conference of the United Brethren in Christ hereby authorize the trustees of the Mt. Pisgah Mission Station in the city of Philadelphia, to sell, if they deem it wise, fourteen (14) feet fronting on Kipp Street of the lot of ground now occupied by said mission.

E. Benj. Bierman,

G. W. M. RIGOR.

Committee on First Year's Course of Reading submitted the following, which was adopted:

REPORT ON FIRST YEAR'S COURSE OF READING.

We your Committee on First Year's Course of Reading respectfully submit the following report:

There appeared before us, J. A. Lyter, U. S. G. Renn and A. B. Mower, who were examined according to discipline and were found sound in doctrine. They have read all the books required or their equivalent, they presented written sermons; we therefore recommend they pass to second year's course of reading. E. A. G. Bosler, W. L.

Byers, H. T. Denlinger, S. C. Ench and C. E. Pilgrim did not appear before the committee; considering their circumstances, we would recommend that they be excused, and retained in first year's course of reading.

M. P. Doyle,
Lewis Peters,

H. C. PHILLIPS.

Committee.

H. B. Dohner, Sunday-school normal instructor, read the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF THE BIBLE NORMAL UNION.

To the East Pennsylvania Annual Conference Assembled at Harrisburg, Pa:

DEAR BRETHREN: I have the honor and pleasure pursuant to and in compliance with the instructions of the Annual Conference two years ago, to submit to you the following as my second report concerning the condition and progress of the Bible Normal Union. It is an indisputable fact, generally known and acknowledged, that the most pressing demand now is competent teachers, and that the future prosperity of our Sabbath-schools depends almost exclusively upon the efficiency of its teachers. It is much to be regretted, however, that as a rule, they do not have the requisite qualifications to meet the demands of the present rising generation. A thorough preparation is the indispensable requisite for the impartation of religious instruction. The Bible Normal Union is the best institution for practical teaching, it being admirably adapted to furnish the information needed, having the tendency to make all who pursue it eminently successful as teachers, because of its practicability implying all the principal features of the Bible, such as the history of the Bible, the history in the Bible, the chronology, geography, biography, the principles and doctrines of our holy Christianity and also the methods and principles of application.

Commendable progress was made during the year, but not as much was accomplished as perhaps was anticipated, in this almost indispensable auxiliary of the Church.

Not as many institutes, reviews and examinations were conducted not as many classes organized and the correspondence was not as extensive as the enterprise required.

One reason is the limited time that could be devoted, as other duties were incumbent upon me, but whenever opportunity afforded or necessity demanded, assistance was willingly and cheerfully rendered either by the oral or correspondence system.

Another reason is, there is not the degree of enthusiasm manifested generally, by those either directly or indirectly connected with our schools. Many of the officers and teachers should have an intense thirst for studying the Bible systematically, and many of the Sabbath-school scholars need to be stimulated to a greater desire for religious information.

A third reason undoubtedly is that our Sunday-school workers are not conversant enough with the features, character and advantages accruing by mastering the course as prescribed.

It is not advertised sufficiently in our Church literature, and not made conspicuous enough by the leaders of our churches and Sunday-schools, and not enough prestige is given within the bounds of the Conference.

All laudable means should be brought into requisition to diffuse information concerning the character and wants of it.

Notwithstanding the hindrances during the year, general prosperity has been the result in the Conference during the year. The following is a summary of the work within the bounds of the Conference year. Number of members enrolled, one hundred and thirteen; number of institutes held, eleven; number of students having passed examinations for the "Blue Seal," thirty-nine; for the "Red Seal," thirty-seven; for the "Silver Seal," twenty-two, and for the "Gold Seal," twenty-four. Total number of creditable examinations, one hundred and twenty-two. Twenty graduated during the year have been rewarded with a diploma and admitted to the Alumni of the Bible Normal Union.

Professors H. Clay Deaner and W. S. Ebersole, of Lebanon Valley College, deserve much credit for their devotion to this interest and have furnished and are credited with eleven students, nineteen for the blue, fifteen for the red, nine for the silver and nine for the gold seals and eight of the graduates in the foregoing report.

We thank all who have contributed toward the donation, amounting to twenty dollars, and who have given their earnest co-operation and many words of sympathy and encouragement. We hope that many more will avail themselves of these accessible and precious facilities and opportunities, and that all concerned will soon assume the position that ought to be occupied, and that the prosperity of next year may considerably surpass this. With best wishes to all.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. DOHNER.

Rev. M. B. Spayd, of East German Conference, was granted an advisory seat.

Revs. S. Dasher, of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and F. L. Nicodemus, of the Church of God, were introduced to Conference and invited to sit within the bar.

Adjourned with prayer by Prof. E. B. Bierman.

THIRD DAY-SECOND SESSION.

Conference met at 2 P. M., Rishop Castle in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by Dr. Booth.

Prof. E. B. Bierman, from Committee to Audit the Accounts of the treasurer of the Preachers' Aid Society reported that they found the account correct.

S. L. Swartz, treasurer of the Missionary Society, read his report, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Committee to Nominate Candidates for Professor and Trustees for Russell Biblical Chair reported as follows:

For Professor.—Revs. J. R. Meredith and D. D. Lowery.

For Trustees.—Revs. L. Peters, P. A. Bowman, H. C. Phillips, P. E. Deitrich, H. B. Dohner, S. R. Gipple, I. Baltzell, E. L. Hughes, J. W. Etter, L. R. Kramer.

Dr. Etter, from the Committee on Memoirs, submitted the following report, which, after some remarks by G. W. M. Rigor and Dr. Etter, was adopted.

REV. DAVID STRICKLER.

The subject of this memoir was born near Mt. Joy, Lancaster County, Pa., May 11, 1814, and died on the morning of October 5, 1888 in his seventy-fifth year. His younger years were spent in teaching school, during which time he was converted at the age of twenty-eight. He was married a second time on New Year's day of 1867 by our lamented Bishop Glossbrenner.

He filled some important offices in his Church. Besides representing his Conference several times in the General Conference and serving a term as member of the General Missionary Board of the Church, he also edited from 1849 to 1853 our German paper, Busy Martha, which was the

forerunner of our present Froeliche Botschafter. Immediately after his retirement from the editorship of the paper he entered the ministry in 1854, and during a number of these years served in the presiding eldership of this Conference.

During the last few years of his life he held a superannuated relation to his Conference; but his mind was vigorous and active to the last, and the last sermon he preached in Lebanon Trinity Church in November of 1886 manifested no decay of his intellectual vigor. On the following month his physical frame gave way under the weight of years, and it at once became evident that his illness was unto death.

He bore his two years of sickness with a marked degree of Christian fortitude, never complaining or manifesting any spirit of discontent. The comforting influence of the Gospel which he had preached, was his support during his last days on earth, and calmly and peacefully did he pass over the swellings of Jordan. He sweetly rests from his labors, and his works do follow him. His body was laid amid the sleepers of Mt. Lebanon Cemetery, but his spirit mingles with the happy spirits of the fathers of this Church who preceded him.

WHEREAS, God in his wise providence has seen fit to call from the church militant to the church triumphant our esteemed brother and coworker Rev. David Strickler, a faithful minister of the Gospel for forty-five years and abundant in good works, therefore,

- Resolved, 1. That we express our appreciation of his sterling character, Christian piety, and of his long and faithful service rendered to the Church of his choice, which has endeared him to all who knew him.
- 2. That, as a Conference, we cherish his memory, fully assured that though we miss him in our counsels here, we shall again be reunited with him in the general church of the first born in Heaven.

J. W. ETTER, L. PETERS.

- D. D. Lowery was elected Professor of Russell Biblical Chair and J. W. Etter, L. Peters, I. Baltzell, L. R. Kramer, and H. C. Phillips were elected trustees.
- J. R. Meredith, Committee on Publishing Interests, read the following report, which after some remarks by Dr. J. W. Hott and D. S. Early, was adopted.

REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

The publishing interests of our Church are among its most important factors in successfully accomplishing her work. This statement is so evidently true that it needs no argument to demonstrate it; but it needs to be restated and reiterated over and over, to keep alive our interest in them and to appreciate their force. Without the various publications of our Church, the information concerning the many interests of our beloved zion cannot be disseminated as widely and as thoroughly as their importance and the necessity of these causes require.

New enterprises and new measures must be presented and advocated as the Church widens the field of her operations and increases her influence, and this can only be done through the medium of the press.

Books and papers are essential to the building up of an intelligent membership, and these should be furnished by our own Church as far as possible, that the doctrines and principles that we advocate and teach, may be deeply instilled into the hearts and minds of our people.

We believe for this purpose our own denomination is as well equipped and manned as any other of similar size in the land. It is to be regretted, however, that with all our facilities and our excellent periodicals, our membership is not better informed of the operations, interests and standing of our Church.

We have a literature that is not excelled by any in the country, but many of the people do not seem to appreciate it, or make use of it for their own edification. The *Telescope* or *Botschafter* ought to be in every family and our Sunday-school periodicals in every Sunday-school of the Church.

Resolved, 1. That we as a Conference will continue to give our influence and support to these interests and that we will do what we can to increase the circulation of the periodicals of our Church.

2. We commend the *College Forum* to the consideration of the Conference as an interest that merits their careful attention.

J. R. MEREDITH.

Prof. E. B. Bierman, Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

That knowledge is power is universally accepted, but it is nothing more; it is mere power, it is not goodness nor is it piety. It is power

to promote the good or to work evil according to the spirit of the man who wields it.

The man of knowledge can defend the right better, he can also advocate the wrong more successfully. He can more powerfully influence others for good but also for evil. The drawing out of a man's intellectual powers is the mere development of a fearful power. How foolish the act! all will exclaim, to place a loaded revolver, a sharpened dagger, or a lucifer match into the hands of a madman! How equally unwise to educate the head without cultivating the heart; to develop a man's intellect without seeking to purify his soul; to make him master of the sciences, the languages, and philosophy, without teaching him obedience to his Creator and love for his Savior. On the other hand, what can a mechanic accomplish with a dull knife, a blunt ax or a pointless needle; or a soldier armed with sling and club to fight against an enemy that wields a sword or commands a battery?

With how much greater success therefore will the man of God be crowned, who is trained in the schools of science and philosophy as well as consecrated to the work of saving souls, in combating error and overcoming opposition, than he who lacks this training. Knowledge is a glorious power only when the Christian life underlies and directs it. Hence it is not mere education that we want, but Christian education, not educated men, but Christian educated men. These you cannot have unless you make the Christian life and spirit the basis of all mental development. No amount of knowledge imparted can become a means of grace, and it is consequently no power to elevate or unfold a fallen nature. As Christ is the light of the world so Christianity is the light of knowledge.

Dr. Witherspoon, under whose direction Princeton College assumed a prominent and influential position among the educational enterprises of our country, years ago formulated an accepted truism in declaring, "Cursed be all that learning that is contrary to the cross of Christ; cursed be all that learning that is not coincident with the cross of Christ; cursed be all that learning that is not subservient to the cross of Christ." Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we take special pleasure in the fact that our own Lebanon Valley College has ever since its organization kept prominent before its students that "the Christian is the highest style of man;" and that its regular course of study has invariably been supplemented by weekly instruction in the word of God.

2. That we greatly rejoice in the good work accomplished from year to year by Union Biblical Seminary in the preparation and graduation

of young men and women for the blessed work of soul-saving and the extending of the Redeemer's kingdom among men.

- 3. That we hereby pledge ourselves anew to redouble our diligence in securing students for our college and the seminary on our fields of labor, and to co-operate with the agents of these institutions in their various efforts to build up these important enterprises of the Church.
- 4. That we sincerely regret the continued illness of President Lorenz, and most devoutly pray almighty God that He may in His infinite mercy right early restore him to his usual health andusefulness among us as an educator.
- 5. That the thanks of this Conference are due the members of the Faculty for the successful management of the interests of Lebanon Valley College during the enforced absence of President Lorenz.
- 6. That East Pennsylvania Conference accept the apportionment of one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars made to it by the Board of Education of the Beneficiary Educational Fund, and that we, as ministers, will make a vigorous effort to secure the sums apportioned to our charges.
- 7. That the endowment scheme of one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars in behalf of Lebanon Valley College meets our entire approval and we hereby express our hearty appreciation of the judicious work accomplished during the past year by Rev. M. O. Lane, our financial agent.
- 8. That we greatly rejoice in the success that has thus far attended the free will offerings on "College Day," and that we now promise to work up this interest with increased diligence.
- 9. That we recommend to the favorable notice of our people the Rev. J. B. Funk, who has recently been appointed by the General Manager of Union Biblical Seminary as his agent for the States of Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia.

E. BENJ. BIERMAN.

Prof. Bowman, of Lebanon Valley College, in the absence of President Lorenz, submitted the following:

REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF LEBANON VALLEY COLLEGE.

To the Members of the East Pennsylvania Conference:

Dear Brethren:—In the absence of President E. S. Lorenz, who, in the providence of God, has been passing through deep waters of affliction, I bring you the report of the working of the institution for the past year.

The year closing last commencement was, in many respects, the most prosperous in the history of Lebanon Valley College.

The number of students in attendance was two hundred and sixteen, being forty-six more than in any previous year; moreover, the attendance was more regular, a larger number of students being present through the entire year than usual.

At the last session of the Board of Trustees Miss Etta R. Hott, Ph. B., was appointed to the position of preceptress and Professor of English Language and Literature. Her work has been discharged in such a manner as to earn for herself the respect both of her fellow-teachers and students, as well as the patrons of the college.

Owing to the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Alice Gingerich as teacher of music, the board appointed Miss Ella Smith to the position, and her work has given the utmost satisfaction. The work of the other departments was carried by the respective professors, the president's class work having been distributed among the other teachers.

The absence of the president has been keenly felt by all, and much important work bearing directly on the interests of the college has, necessarily, been left undone, yet we are glad to be able to state that the work has gone on in spite of the difficulties under which we labored, with marked and encouraging success.

God has come very near to us in his providences during the past year, both in depriving us of the counsel and advice of our beloved president, and in sorely afflicting his family, and that of Prof. John E. Lehman, by the visitation of the dread messenger, death, and the removal from their midst of loved ones; but surely these providences, though trying, have brought us all into a closer union, awakened by sympathy, and, we trust, into more humble submission to God. May he overrule all to his glory, and to the ultimate good of this institution.

The attendance during the present college year has been quite encouraging, and is on the increase, as the following comparative statement will show:

Fall term, 1887-8	105	Winter term, 1887-8	115
Fall term, 1888-9			

The prospects for the coming spring term are flattering. We have good hopes of exceeding the previous record of numbers. The work of the students, too, has been very encouraging, and the deportment and general demeanor is something of which the institution has reason to be proud.

The religious interest has been on the increase. A glorious revival

wave, in the fall term, left only two unsaved among our boarding students.

The College Forum has been doing a good work for the institution, and deserves the hearty support of every friend of the college. A large addition to the subscription list would help very materially in making it more effective in its work. This visitor from the college should reach every United Brethren home in the co-operating conferences, and with the help of the brethren in the ministry the subscriptions should be doubled in the near future.

Rev. M. O. Lane will present a financial statement, which it is hoped will receive your most careful consideration. The matter of finances will, in the near future, demand the careful attention of the patrons and friends of the college.

The plan of endowment is fully matured, and some work has been accomplished, and we earnestly ask the united efforts and prayers of all in this work. The United Brethren Church in the east is abundantly able to endow Lebanon Valley College. It must be endowed if it shall succeed. While other institutions are being munificently provided for, often by the gifts of single individuals, we show our lack of faith in our people by doubting the ability of nearly forty thousand co-operating members, controlling vast resources of wealth, to endow this institution, so essential to our prosperity as a Church in the east. Every year without endowment is a year lost, and it behooves us, as a Church, to pursue a vigorous policy immediately in reference to this most important matter. Brethren, we look to you for help-in this work, and we hope you will go to your respective fields of labor full of enthusiasm for this project, and while you constantly and earnestly pray and work for this end, God's answer will come, the work will be accomplished, and the Church will be materially strengthened by the result.

College day, so successfully inaugurated last year, was an event in the history of the institution. It brought a considerable income of money, and was successful in awakening such an interest in our work as cannot fail to be favorable. We hope, with your assistance, to make the coming occasion more successful than ever.

We are glad to report that the health of the president is improving. He hopes to return east about the beginning of the next month to resume the management of the college, though it is not expected that he will be able to do any teaching during the present college year.

Dear brethren, in conclusion, we ask for your prayers and your hearty co-operation, that the blessing of heaven may abundantly rest on us;

that we may have the wisdom, foresight, and faith so to perform our work that lasting good may be accomplished.

Signed and submitted for President E. S. Lorenz by Your servant,

GEO. W. BOWMAN.

M. O. Lane, financial agent of Lebanon Valley College, read the following report:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF LEBANON VALLEY COLLEGE.

[Condensed from balance account of December 31, 1888.]

Assets. Book accounts. 661 98 Cash on hand..... 658 00 Real estate...... 50,000 00 \$54,460 94 Liabilities. Bills payable (mortgages \$15,000, notes \$2,974 78)..\$17,974 78 Book accounts..... \$23,818 04 Assets above liabilities..... \$30,642 90 From valuation of real estate......\$50,000 00 Indebtedness without real estate..... \$19,357 10 Endowment. Paid up endowment...... \$3,410 00 Active endowment notes..... 2,100 00 Inactive endowment notes..... 1,595 00

Respectfully submitted,

M. O. LANE, Financial Agent.

\$7,105 00

After remarks by Dr. Booth and D. S. Earley, and pending its adoption, the papers submitted were laid over until Monday morning.

The Committee to Nominate Candidates for Trustees for Lebanon Valley College, presented the following names as candidates: Dr. J. W. Etter, C. B. Rettew, Joseph Young, David Kreider, Wm. Ulrich, and Rudolph Herr.

On motion of H. B. Dohner, H. M. Miller, Grant L. Shaffer, and Horace G. Clair were recommended to the Board of Education as worthy of aid to enable them to prosecute their studies.

Dr. J. W. Etter and C. B. Rettew were elected trustees of Lebanon Valley College.

During the session Dr. H. B. Hartzell, of the Evangelical Association; J. C. Behney, of the Church of God; W. H. Fishburn, of the Lutheran Church, and R. H. Armstrong, of the Presbyterian Church, were introduced to Conference.

Adjourned with prayer by C. T. Stearn.

LORD'S DAY.

The services at Memorial U. B. Church opened at 10:30 A. M. with an eloquent sermon by Bishop Castle, to a crowded house. In the afternoon an immense Sunday-school gathering was addressed in an edifying manner by Prof. E. Benj. Bierman, of Philadelphia, Dr. Booth, Rev. Z. A. Weidler, and Dr. Hott. In the evening the pulpit was occupied by Dr. Hott in an entertaining sermon.

Bishop Dickson preached in the Salem Reformed Church in the morning.

Dr. Booth occupied the pulpit of Otterbein U. B. Church in the morning, and Bishop Castle in the evening.

The pulpits of other churches to the number of twenty-five, in and around Harrisburg, including some half dozen U. B. churches, were filled by members of or visitors to the Conference.

FOURTH DAY-FIRST SESSION.

FEBRUARY 25, 1889.

Bishop Castle called the Conference to order at 8:30 A. M.

The devotional exercises were conducted by E. Ludwick.

The roll was called and forty-four ministers and twelve lay delegates answered to their names.

The minutes of the third day's proceedings were read and approved.

Prof. E. B. Bierman, from Auditing Committee, reported the Missionary Treasurer's report correct, and it was adopted as follows:

MISSIONARY TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.		٠		
Balance in treasury from last year\$	221	04		
By loan during this year	600	00		
From fields of labor	1,185	37		
Special for Africa	8	20		
T1 114			\$2,014	61
Expenditures.	400	= 0		
Interest on notes\$				
Parent Board	592			
Special to Africa	8	20		
Home missions	900	60		
-			\$1,609	98
Balance in the treasury	• • • • • • • •	• • • •	\$404	63
Statement of the Condition of the Trea	sury.			
Due on loans, 1884–85\$	1,000	00		
Due on loans, 1886				
Due on loans, 1887	150	00		
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Due on loans 1888	600	00		
Due on loans, 1888	600	00	\$2,650	00
Due on loans, 1888 Balance in the treasury			\$2,650 \$404	
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Balance in the treasury			\$404 \$2,245	63 37

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We the undersigned have audited the report of the missionary treasurer and find it correct.

E. BENJ. BIERMAN, S. N. EBY.

S. L. Swartz was re-elected treasurer and J. R. Meredith secretary of the Branch Missionary Society.

The interest on the note for \$310.00, in the hands of S. L. Swartz, was ordered to be paid out of the Contingent Fund.

Prof. E. B. Bierman, from Committee on Financial Standing of Conference, submitted a report, which was recommitted with instructions to accompany the items of the report with the causes of the indebtedness.

The secretary of the Church Extension Society submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF CONFERENCE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

The Board of Church Extension Society held four meetings during the year. The first was at Columbia, Pa., before the final adjournment of Conference, at which committees were appointed to consider the mission work in Lancaster, Philadelphia, Camden, N. J., Harrisburg, West Steelton and Lebanon. The second meeting was held in Lancaster in April, a third during the Stoverdale camp-meeting in August and a fourth during the present session of Conference. The results of these deliberations were:

- 1. The purchase of a lot in West Steelton for \$900, on which \$200 was paid by the Society.
- 2. The withdrawal of Rev. H. T. Denlinger as missionary at Camden, N. J.
- 3. The improving of Mt. Pisgah Church, Philadelphia, without cost to the Society.
 - 4. A new mission projected at Brookwood, East Harrisburg.
- 5. The appointment of a committee to secure the incorporation of the Society.
- 6. An agreement to pay the interest on the debt of \$625 on the Woodland Avenue Church in Camden, N. J., until October, 1889.
 - 7. The treasurer's report shows a balance of \$1,188 56

8.	The	following	appropriations were	recommended for	the coming
year,	viz:				

Halifax Mission	\$ 50 (00
Lancaster Covenant	225 (00
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah	200 (00
Philadelphia, St. Paul's		
		\$600 00
To be paid by missionary treasurer:		# C 0 0 0 0
Camden Mission	\$400 (00
Harrisburg, Brookwood	300 (00
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		\$700 00
To be paid by church extension treasurer:		

Total amount of appropriations......\$1,300 00

The Board of Trustees of Clearview, West Philadelphia, were instructed to meet the requirements of Mr. Scott if they possibly can see their way clear to do so and take possession of the valuable lots which he proposes to donate to the Church.

G. W. M. RIGOR, Secretary.

The Preachers' Aid Society was instructed to proceed and collect, by process at law, if necessary, the claim against Bishop Glossbrenner's estate.

The sale of the real estate of the Preachers' Aid Society was left to the judgment of the Board of Trustees.

P. E. Detreich offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The claim of the widow of George A. Mark against the Conference has been the result of a provision for the relief of the widows of deceased preachers, therefore

Resolved, That the aforesaid claim be paid out of the Preachers' Aid Society Fund.

The Board of Trustees of the Preachers' Aid Society were instructed to pay out of its treasury the following:

To Rev. Israel Carpenter	350	00
To Mrs. Margaret Funk		
To Mrs. J. G. Clair		

The further consideration of the report on Education was resumed, and after remarks by M. O. Lane, H. B. Dohner, I. Baltzell, Dr. Hott, and others, it was adopted.

I. Baltzell offered the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The following preamble and resolutions were passed by this Annual Conference and presented to the General Conference four years ago, viz.:

"Whereas, The General Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, at its last session in Lisbon, Iowa, in May, 1881, divided the territory of the East Pennsylvania Annual Conference, assigning the larger portion of that which was occupied to the Pennsylvania Annual Conference; and

"Whereas, The East Pennsylvania Conference was properly organized by action of the General Conference of the Church, and on the 12th day of April, A. D. 1866, secured an act of incorporation from the General Assembly of the State of Pennsylvania, thus chartering all the territory within its boundaries as then described in our discipline, under the name, style, and title of the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ; and,

"WHEREAS, The East Pennsylvania Conference has not, at any time, given its assent to the present division of its territory and ecclesiastical dismemberment; therefore

"Resolved, That we, the members of the East Pennsylvania Conference, do hereby enter our protest against any division of our territory, and memorialize the General Conference to restore to us the boundaries of the Conference as they existed in 1866."

AND, WHEREAS, The General Conference failed to restore said boundary to this Conference; therefore

Resolved, That we respectfully demand, through our representatives, the restoration of said boundary as an act of justice, and to place our Conference in harmony with our charter.

A. B. Mower was granted a transfer to the Pennsylvania Conference.

On motion, the rule was suspended and Conference adjourned to meet at 1:00 o'clock.

Benediction by Dr. Hott.

FOURTH DAY—SECOND SESSION.

Conference met at 1:00 p. m., Bishop Castle in the chair.

Religious exercises by H. D. Lehman.

The chair named E. Ludwick, J. Young, and S. L. Swartz a committee to nominate a Church Extension Board.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the East Pennsylvania Annual Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, now in session at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and which Conference was incorporated by act of Assembly of the State of Pennsylvania on the 12th day of April, A. D. 1866, does hereby sanction and approve the action of the Conference Church Extension Society of said Conference in instituting legal proceedings in the Court of Chancery in the State of New Jersey for the recovery of the Emanuel Church of the United Brethren in Christ, in the city of Camden, New Jersey, through the Board of Trustees of said Emanuel Church, as constituted under the section providing for the disposition of vacant houses, page 124, of the U. B. Discipline.

G. W. M. RIGOR, E. BENJ. BIERMAN.

The Bishop announced the Standing Committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Missions.—P. E. Detreich.

On Church Erection.-Z. A. Weidler.

On Publishing Interests.—H. C. Phillips.

On Education.—J. W. Etter.

On Sunday-Schools.—J. A. Lyter.

On Resolutions.—M J. Mumma.

On Temperance — E. L. Hughes.

On Financial Standing of Conference.—H. B. Dohner, E. B. Bierman, and B. H. Engle.

On Course of Reading .-

First Year-T. Garland, H. C. Phillips, and L. Peters.

Second Year-M. P. Doyle, P. E. Detreich, and M. A. Salt.

Third Year-Z. A. Wiedler, J. B. Funk, and J. X. Quigley.

Licentiates.—

First Year-Wm. Beach, E A. G. Bosler, Horace G. Clair, H. T.

Denlinger, S. C. Enck, P. H. Garrett, A. M. Hackman, J. A. Hamilton, C. E. Pilgrim, and F. Reel.

Second Year—Geo. A. Doyle, J. A. Lyter, H. H. Mower, and U. S. G. Renn.

Third Year-J. H. Kurtz and J. F. Smith.

The Committee to nominate a Church Extension Board reported the names of Rev. Isaiah Baltzell, President; Rev. G. W. M. Rigor, secretary; Jacob S. Wisler, treasurer; Rev. H. C. Phillips, S. N. Eby, Jacob Sneath, B. H. Engle, Rev. D. D. Lowery, Rev. J. R. Meredith, who were elected.

George A. Doyle submitted the following report on Temperance, which was amended and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Deeply impressed with the great importance of the temperance cause as now agitated and pressed upon the attention of the Christian people of the land, bearing, as it does, upon every interest concerning the state, church, homes, families and individuals, and believing that nothing less than the removal of alcohol as a beverage from the business and commerce of the nation is a safeguard against the ruinous effects of this destructive and unrighteous production; and feeling and believing that the great God has, in mercy, heard the prayers and groans of his people, which have gone up to his presence day and night, and has, in his goodness, directed the legislative powers of this State to submit to the people this question, in the form of a constitutional amendment, thereby enabling the Christian people of this State to prohibit the practice of this evil in this Commonwealth; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we believe that God has laid upon us a great responsibility, and that he has now granted Christian people the power to answer their own prayers, and to remove this evil by the use of the ballot.

- 2. That we will place ourselves in harmony with the divine will and do all in our power to influence all Christian people to vote for this amendment.
- 3. That it is the desire of this body to co-operate with all organizations, churches, and individuals who have at heart the overthrow of this great enemy of humanity.
- 4. That every minister of this Conference should be actively engaged in presenting this great question to the people by preaching it, praying for

it, and talking of it; showing the great responsibility resting upon every follower of Christ to do all he can to drive from our State this nefarious traffic, which has brought to us so much sorrow and disgrace.

5. That we hereby express our gratitude to the legislature of Pennsylvania for submitting the constitutional amendment to a vote of the

people.

- 6. That, as the section on temperance in the Discipline of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ is a strong deliverance in favor of the stringent prohibition of the liquor traffic, we record it as our deliberate opinion that no member of our Church, who is a true United Brethren, can, under any circumstances possible, fail, through refusal or neglect, to vote in favor of adopting the amendment to the constitution on June 18, 1889, and thus forever prohibit the legalizing of the drink traffic in the State of Pennsylvania.
- 7. That the secretary of the Conference be instructed to transmit a copy of this report to the Constitutional Amendment Association of Pennsylvania.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. DOYLE,

The secretary read the report of L. R. Kramer on Resolutions, which was adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

Your Committee on Resolutions respectfully submits the following:

Resolved, 1. That we as ministers of the gospel and delegates are devoutly thankful to God for his blessings that attended us and our efforts during the past Conference year, and now give ourselves more fully to the work of the Master in the future than ever before.

2. That we are highly pleased with the able and impartial manner in which Bishop N. Castle presided over the deliberations of the Conference.

- 3. That we are edified and pleased with the presence in our midst of the following brethren: Dr. J. W. Hott, editor of the *Religious Telescope*; Dr. B. F. Booth, missionary secretary; and Rev. M. O. Lane, agent of Lebanon Valley College.
- 4. That we are much pleased that Bishop J. Dickson favored us with his presence and counsel.
- 5. That we as ministers and laymen put forth more vigorous efforts for the circulation of the *Religious Telescope*, the *Froeliche Botschafter*, and Sunday-school literature than ever before.

- 6. That we as a Conference advise committees and others having charge of our camp-meetings to cease and protest against all trafficking in luxuries, and further, that no special arrangements be made or accommodations be sought for railroad facilities on the Sabbath day.
- 7. That we tender our heart-felt thanks to the citizens of Harrisburg for the hospitality they manifested toward the members of and visitors to the Conference.
- 8. That we the members of the East Pennsylvania Conference desire to express our hearty appreciation of the services rendered by Rev. H. B. Dohner as Conference Normal instructor and request that his services may be continued during the coming year.
- 9. That we hereby express our appreciation of the work of Bro. C. B. Rettew in publishing for free distribution the minutes of our Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

L. R. KRAMER.

The hour of 2:00 p. m. having arrived, Bishop Castle announced as his text, Luke 9:23, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself." The sermon was able, interesting, and delightful, and was listened to with marked attention. At the close of the sermon, John G. Smoker was solemnly set apart to the office of Elder in the Church by the laying on of hands, Bishop Dickson and Rev. I. Baltzell assisting the Bishop.

Bishop Castle then called up the class of licentiates that had been admitted during the Conference, and delivered to them their license, prefacing it with an address of counsel and encouragement.

A collection of \$8.06 was taken up to fill a deficiency or \$2.00 in Conference collection and to remunerate the pages.

Bishop Dickson read the appointments.

APPOINTMENTS.

Harrisburg District-H. B. Dohner, P. E.

Annville Station—D. D. Lowery. Columbia Station—E. Ludwick.

Florin Circuit—J. G. Smoker.

Halifax Mission—M. P. Sanders.

Harrisburg, Memorial—S. D. Faust.

Harrisburg, East—M. J. Mumma.

Harrisburg, Brookwood—To be supplied.

Highspire Station—J. F. Smith.

Hummelstown Station—P. A. Bowman.

Middletown, Station—T. Garland.

Middletown, East—H. D. Lehman.

Mount Joy Station—H. C. Phillips.

Mountville Station—J. A. Lyter.

Oberlin Station—J. B. Daugherty.

Steelton Station—L. Peters.

Lancaster District-I. Baltzell, P. E.

Camden Mission-G. W. M. Rigor.

Steelton, West—————.

Birdsboro Station-P. H. Garrett.

Ephrata Station-L. R. Kramer.

Stoverdale Station-

Intercourse Circuit—Z. C. Mower.

Lancaster Covenant-E. L. Hughes.

Lancaster Circuit-A. M. Hackman.

Lebanon Trinity-Dr. J. W. Etter.

Manheim Station-U. S. G. Renn.

Manor Station-Wm. Beach.

Mount Pleasant Station-J. A. Hamilton.

New Holland Station-J. R. Meredith.

Paradise Station-A. L. Shannon.

Pequa Station—S. R. Gipple.

Philadelphia, (Mt. Pisgah)—Z. A. Weidler.

Philadelphia, St. Paul's)—F. Reel.

Reading, Otterbein-M. A. Salt.

Ruhl's Station—S. C. Enck.

Springfield Station-Geo. A. Doyle.

J. B. Funk, agent U. B. Seminary.

E Light, editor German literature.

C. E. Pilgrim, general evangelist.

No other business being before the Conference, it was resolved that we do now adjourn sine die.

The old long metre doxology was sung, Bishop Dickson pronounced the benediction, and the eighty-ninth session closed.

G. W. M. RIGOR,
Recording Secretary.

N. Castle,
Bishop.

M. J. Mumma, Statistical Secretary.

ANNIVERSARIES.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The third anniversary of the Conference Church Extension Society was held. Rev. I. Baltzell presided. Addresses were made by Revs. E. Ludwick, J. R. Meredith, and J. S. Wisler, after which the secretary, G. W. M. Rigor, took up a collection for the society, amounting to over \$12.00 in cash and considerable by subscription secured.

FRIDAY EVENING.

The Sunday-school anniversary was held. Rev. H. B. Dohner presided. Addresses were delivered by Dr. J. W. Etter and Prof. W. S. Ebersole, of Lebanon Valley College.

SATURDAY EVENING.

The Missionary anniversary was held. Rev. Joseph Young, the oldest member of the Conference, presided. Addresses were made by Drs. B. F. Booth and J. W. Hott.

CAMP MEETINGS.

STOVERDALE

Will commence on the second Tuesday of August, 1889. This is the oldest of the large camp meetings of our Church, and is the best equipped. It is hoped that the new railroad between

Hummelstown and Middletown, and which runs by the camp ground, will be completed by August. The accommodations are excellent. For further information address Rev. L. Peters, Steelton, Pa.; Ed Stover, Hummelstown, Pa., or H. H. Kreider, Annville, Pa.

SEA GROVE

Had an excellent camp last August, and the prospects for this year are most encouraging. It is located on the sea-shore, at Cape May Point, near Cape May City, N. J. The grounds will be opened about August 16th, and the camp meetings proper will begin on Thursday, August 22d, and continue until September 10, 1889. A 10 x 12 tent, with floor and two cots, will be rented for the term for \$4.50, and oil stoves, cooking utensils, dishes, cutlery, etc., at a correspondingly low rate. For information address either of the Board of Directors, as follows: Prof. E. B. Bierman, president, 439 North Sixth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. I. M. Groff, vice-president, New Holland, Pa.; Rev. H. C. Phillips, secretary, Lancaster, Pa.; Rev. L. Peters, treasurer, Steelton, Pa.; Rev. G. W. M. Rigor, general manager, North Vineland, N. J.; B. H. Engle, East Harrisburg, Pa.; Rev. H. D. Lehman, Middletown, Pa.; Ames Hershey, Gordonsville, Pa.; Rev. H. B. Dohner, Lancaster, Pa.

ALPHABETICAL ROLL OF MEMBERS. Ministers.

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1852	Ĺ	Clair, Horace G	Annville		Pa
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1888	L	Doyle, Geo. A		Lebanon	Pa
1863	É	Doyle, M. P		Berks	Pa
1878	Ē	Dohner, H. B	Lancaster	Lancaster	Pa
1861	$\overline{\mathrm{E}}$	Earley, D. S	6th & Kelker, Harrisburg	Dauphin	Pa
1873	E	Etter, J. W	829 Willow St., Lebanon	Lebanon	Pa
1888	\mathbf{L}		Annville	Lebanon	Pa
•••••		†Faust, S. D	112 Cumb'd St., Harrisb'g	Dauphin	Pa
1871	E	Funk, J. B	137 Nevin St., Lancaster	Lancaster	Pa
1871	E	Garland, Thomas	Middletown	Dauphin	Pa
1889	$\overline{\Gamma}$	Garrett, P. H	Birdsboro		Pa
1871	E	Gipple, S. R	Cambridge		Pa
1875	E	Groff, I. M.	Hew Holland	Lancaster	Pa
1889	Ļ	Hackman, A. M	Manheim New Providence	Lancaster	Pa
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1871	E	Kauffman, A. H	Washington Boro	Lancaster	Pa Pa
1889	E	Kramer, L. R.	Ephrata	Lancaster	Pa
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1885	Ē	*Light, Ezekiel	Dayton	Montgomery	O
1888	$\ddot{\mathbf{L}}$	Lyter, J. A		Lancaster	Pa
1873	Ē	Loose, Geo. A	531 N. 9th St., Reading	Berks	Pa
1879	$\widetilde{\mathbf{E}}$	Lowery, D. D	Annville	Lebanon	Pa
1887	H	Lehman, H. D	Middl+town	Dauphin	Pa
1878	\mathbf{E}	Ludwick, E	Columbia	Lancaster	Pa
1869	E	Meredith, J. R	New Holland	Lancaster	Pa
1849	\mathbf{E}	*Minnick, S. L	Meehan Ave., Germant'n	Philadelphia	Pa
1869	\mathbf{E}	Mohn, H. V	336 Chestnut St., Reading.	Berks	Pa
1869	\mathbf{E}		Linglestown	Dauphin	
1869	E	Mower, Jno. F	Supplee		Pa
1873	E	Mower, Z. C		Laucaster	Pa
1886	L	Mumma, M. J		Montgomery	$\frac{0}{D_0}$
1870	E E	Peters, L		Dauphin	Pa Pa
1859	E	Phillips, H. C		Lancaster	Pa
1873 1887	Ĺ	*Pilgrim, C. E	2,445 N. 11th St., Phila	Philadelphia	Pa
1878	Ĕ	Quigley, J. X	263 Boas St, Harrisburg	Dauphin	Pa
1888	Ĺ	Renn, U. S. G	Manheum.	Lancaster	Pa
1889	$\ddot{\mathbf{L}}$	Reel, F	2,710 Neff St., Phila	Philadelphia	Pa
1854	$\ddot{ ext{E}}$	Rigor, G. W. M	North Vmeland	Cumberland	N.J.
1853	\mathbf{E}	Riland, J. P	Powell's Valley	Dauphin	Pa
1887	E	Sanders, M. P	Halifax	Dauphin	Pa
1880	\mathbf{E}		519 N. 9th St., Reading	Berks	Pa
1888	\mathbf{L}	Smith, Jno. F		Dauphin	Pa
1883	L	Smoker, Jno. G		Lancaster	Pa
184 9	E			Lancaster	Pa
••••		†Shannon, A. L	Annville	Lebanon	Pa
1874	E	Steiner, J. G	Marietta	Lancaster	Pa
1871	E	Ungor I II	Highspire	Lobiah	Pa
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Lay Delegates.

NAME.	CHARGE.	Post Office Address.
Harrisburg District.		a
Brooks, S. J	Steelton	Steelton, Pa
Bosler, H. B	Middletown, Central	Middletown, Pa
Dietrich, A. B	Harrisburg, Memorial	Harrisburg, Pa
Ditty, Joshua	Halifax Mission	Halifax, Pa
Detweiler, D. A	Middletown, Christ Church	Middletown, Pa
Engle, B. H	East Harrisburg	Harrisburg, Pa
Eby, S. N	Mt. Joy	Mt. Joy, Pa
Eby, George	Florin	Mt. Joy, Pa
Grabill, S. R	Lancaster Covenant	Duke & Vine Sts Lancast'r, Pa
Kreider, H. H	Annville	Annville, Pa
Myers, A. R	Mountville	Mountville, Pa
Poorman, S	Highspire	Highspire, Pa
*Reemsburg, J. T	Hummelstown	Hummelstown, Pa
Sneath, Jacob	Columbia	Columbia, Pa
Shope, C. B	Oberlin	Oberlin, Pa
Lancaster District.		
Anderson, Gustavus	Camden	Camden, N. J
Bierman, E. Benjamin	Mt. Pisgah	139 N. 6th St, Philadelphia, Pa
*Benedict, Eli	Lancaster Circuit	Refton. Pa
Erb, N. L	Ephrata Circuit	Clay, Pa
Habaker, Emanuel	Lititz Circuit	Brunerville, Pa
Kurtz, A. R	Intercourse	Intercourse, Pa
McAnelly, Harry F	Pequa	Gap, Pa
Ranck, D. W	New Holland	Farmersville, Pa
Rauch, J. B	Lebanon	Lebanon, Pa'
Shepperd, J. H	St. Paul, Philadelphia	Philadelphia, Pa
*Snyder, Joseph	Ruhl's	White Oak, Pa
Wetmer, Hiram R		Safe Harbor, Pa
Witmoyer, C. L		Manheim, Pa
Wilson, W. H	Springfield	Blue Rock, Pa
Wisler, J. S	Otterbein, Reading	220 N. 9th St., Reading, Pa
*Absent.	,	, 3,2

CLASSIFICATION OF THE MINISTRY.

Itinerants.

I. Baltzell,	P. A. Bowman,	Geo. A. Doyle,	M. P. Dovle,
H. B. Dohner,	J. W. Etter,	J. B. Funk,	Thos. Garland,
S. R. Gipple,	E. L. Hughes,	L. R. Kramer,	E. Light,
D. D. Lowery,	H. D. Lehman,	E. Ludwick,	J. R. Meredith,
M. J. Mumma,	Z. C. Mower,	L. Peters,	H. C. Phillips,
G. W. M. Rigor,	J. G. Smoker,	M. A. Salt,	J. F. Smith,
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	Supern	umerary.	
P. E. Dietrich,	J. M. Groff,		A. H. Kauffman,
Ge). A. Loose,	H V. Mohn,	H. H. Mower,	J. F. Mower.
J. G. Steiner,	J. H. Unger,	Jos. Young—11.	
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I. Carpenter,	S. L. Minnick,	P. J. Riland,	S. Zimmerman—4.
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Wm. Beach,	E. A. B. Bosler,	Horace G. Clair,	H. T. Denlinger,
D. S. Earley,	S. C. Enck,	P. H. Garrett,	A. M. Hackman,
J. A. Hamilton,	J. F. Kurtz,	J. A. Lyter,	Simon Mower,
C. H. Pilgrim,	J. X. Quigley,	U.S.G. Renn,	F. Reel,
S. L. Swartz,	M. P. Sanders,	Jacob Stehman-	19.
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Itinerants, 25; Supernumerary, 11; Superannuated, 4; Local, 19. Total, 59.

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FIELD OF LABOR.	NAME OF PREACHER.	Appointments.	Org'ized Churches.	New Churches Organized.	Churches Disorg'n- ized or Disconti'd	Itinerants—Active.	Itinerants—Superannuated.	Itinerants—Supernumerary.	Total Itineraats.	Local Preachers.	Ministers Died.
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PROCEEDINGS.

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At Beginning of Year.	Received—Full Mem. by Letter.	Received—Full em. by Profes.	Died.	Removed by Let- ter.	Expelled, Dropped, and Withdrawn.	Members at End of Year.	Increase.	Decrease.	Received Under Watch Care.	Number Sunday- Schools.	Scholars in S. S.— Enrollment.	Scholars in S. S.—Av. Attendance.	Teachers and Officers.		
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FIELD OF LABOR.	Conversions in S. S.	S. S. Libraries— Number.	S. S. Libraries—Volumes.	New S. Schools Organized.	No. S. Schools Discontinued.	Relig. Telescopes.	Children's Friends.	Missionary Visitors	Lessons for the Little Ones.
HARRISBURG DISTRICT.	*****								•••••
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Columbia Station						2	•••••		90
Florin Circuit	6					6	50		190
Halifax Mission	2	1	85			8		~~~~~	85
Harrisburg Memorial		1	450		••••	16	50		60
Harrisburg East			200	*****		12	100	100	120
Highspire Station]	215			10	100		50
Hummelstown Station	1	1	200	• • • •	•••••	10	100		90
Lancaster, Covenant			•••••			5 13	100		30
Middleto'n, Christ Church				*****		6	$\begin{array}{c} 150 \\ 50 \end{array}$		75 60
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Oberlin Station			425	1	1	11			190
Steelton Station	17		120			10	285	285	150
						10	200		100
Totals Harrisburg Dist.	82	10	1,936	2	1	165	960	635	1,326
LANCASTER DISTRICT									
Camden Mission	7	1	100				10		
Ephrata Circuit	15	1	250		1	17	145	145	135
Intercourse Circuit	4	3	402	1	1	6	50	50	25
Lancaster Circuit	18	•••••				1	•••••		90
Lebanon, Trinity	4	1	280			31	125	125	75
Lititz Circuit		••••				4	100		
Manheim Circuit		•••••				12	125		65
Manor Station	7	••••		1	1	8	=0		70
New Holland Station		•••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••••		11	50	80	45
Pequa Station	11	1	200		7	8	165		50
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Reading, Otterbein Ruhl's Station		1				0	190	190	110
Springfield Station		2	200			1	150	150	90
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Totals Lancaster Dist	120	11	1,694	2	3	118	950	1,080	865
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Aggregate of Totals	202	21	3.630	4	4	283	1,910	1,715	2,191

PROCEEDINGS.

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Bible Teachers.	Quarterlies.	Botschafters.	Youth's Pilgers.	Woman's Evangels	Is other S. S. Literature Used?	If so, What?	Time Employed.	No. Conf. Minutes Wanted.		Preacher's Salary.		Value of Presents.
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	FINANCE.							
FIELD OF LABOR.	Church Expenses.	Local S. S. Collection.	Presiding Elder's Salary.	Bishop's Collection	Preachers' Aid.			
HARRISBURG DISTRICT. Annville Station	187 41 3,094 35 4,024 41	\$ 140 00 340 92 272 85 136 58 240 64 181 63 52 28 115 73 52 67 187 46 216 09 134 79 150 64 170 00 303 00	48 00 40 00 36 00 60 00 48 00 40 00 36 00 40 00 36 00 40 00 44 25 40 00 50 00	8 00 8 00 3 00 12 00 8 00 7 00 6 00 5 00 3 00 6 00 8 00 7 00 10 00	4 00 3 00 2 00 7 00 5 00 4 00 2 00 2 00 2 00 2 00 4 00 4 00 4			
Totals Harrisburg Dist.	\$14,969 94	\$2,695 28	\$673 25	\$116 00	\$56 00			
Lancaster District Camden Mission Ephrata Circuit Intercourse Circuit Lancaster Circuit Lebanon, Trinity Lititz Circuit Manheim Station Manor Station New Holland Station Pequa Station Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah Reading, Otterbein Ruhl's Station Springfield Station St. Paul	158 70 321 38 292 49 31 61 1,413 00 18 27 170 73 153 50 190 00 213 07 473 78 652 86 20 00 365 00 154 14	275 32 128 00 22 29 260 00 110 00 162 45 127 69 62 70 224 64 495 46 7 20 148 57 38 93	50 00 48 00 40 00 60 00 20 00 40 00 40 00 40 00 30 00 64 00 22 60 40 00 12 50	9 00 3 00 15 00 1 00 6 00 6 00 3 00 3 00 11 00 2 00 6 00 2 00	3 00 1 00 6 00 1 00 2 00 2 00 3 00 2 00 5 00 5 00 2 00			
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1	FINANCE.						
FIELD OF LABOR.	Colleges, Acad'mies and U. B. Seminary.	Conference Church Extension Fund.	Contingent Fund.	Missionary Debt.	Total for all Purposes.		
HARRISBURG DISTRICT. Annville Station	4 50 42 00 21 50 9 20 23 25 	30 00	8 00 7 00 2 00 3 00 2 00 2 00 2 00	33 00	2,672 01 2,569 68 953 13 2,486 67 1,407 68 1,033 30 1,480 45 820 78 1,284 45 1,069 79 1,114 90 3 888 60		
Steelton Station Totals Harrisburg Dist		\$536 83	\$43 00		5,190 41 \$28,678 95		
LANCASTER DISTRICT Camden Mission Ephrata C1rcuit Intercourse Circuit Lancaster Circuit Lebanon, Trinity	53 50	45 00 5 00 80 00	$\begin{array}{c} 5 & 00 \\ 2 & 00 \\ 1 & 00 \\ 4 & 00 \end{array}$	24 00	1,060 18 430 80 3,127 64		
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Springfield Station St. Paul. Totals Lancaster Dist Totals Harrisburg Dist	\$102 23	9 00	\$20 00	\$102 50	$ \begin{array}{r} 1,058 \ 38 \\ 267 \ 49 \\ \hline \$14,841 \ 17 \end{array} $		
Aggregate Totals	\$253 18	\$782 33	\$63 00	\$246 50	\$43,520 12		

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SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.

Appointments	59 59 3
Churches Discontinued	
MINISTERS.	
Itinerants.—Active	25
Superannuated	20 5
Supernumerary	3 33
Local Preachers	11
Ministers Died	. 1
MEMBERS.	
At beginning of year	5,769
Received by Letter	179
Received by Profession	669
Died	50
Removed by Letter	286
Dropped, Expelled and Withdrawn	335
At end of year	5,946
Increase	493
Decrease	316
Net Gain	177
Received under Watch Care	2
SABBATH SCHOOLS.	₹
Number	58
Scholars Enrolled	7,830
Average Attendance	5,725
Teachers and Officers	1,008 202
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Number of Libraries Volumes in Libraries	3,630
New Schools Organized	4
Schools Discontinued	4
LITERATURE.	
Telescopes	283
Children's Friends	1,910
Missionary Visitors	1,715
Lessons for the Little Ones	2,191
Bible Teachers	474
Quarterlies	6,078
Botschafters	6
Woman's Evangels	150
Other literature used.—S. S. Times, Dewdrops	
Miscellaneous: Time Employed, (months)	

FINANCE.

Local—				
Preachers' Salary	\$12,718	75		
Value of Presents	989			
Church Expenses	19,598	47		
Sunday-school Collections	4,784			
Presiding Elder's Salary	1,245			
Conference Church Extension	782	33		
Contingent Fund	63	00		
Preachers' Aid Fund	89	50		
		<u> </u>	\$40,270	97
General and Benevolent—				
Bishop's Collection			200	00
Collected for Missions.—General	\$1,184	62		
Collected for Missions.—Special	184	46		
Collected for Woman's Mission	67 3	42		
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Collected in Sunday-schools for Missions, \$242 18.				
Church Erection Fund	69			
Sunday-school General Fund	64	00		
Children's Day Collection	7 5			
U. B. Seminary	233			
Educational Beneficiary Fund	64	-		
Colleges, Academies and Seminary	253			
Missionary Debt	246			
Total for all Purposes		_	\$ 43,520	12
PROPERTY.				
Number of Church Houses	5	11/8		
Value			172,750	00
New Church Houses Built		2		0.0
Value			15,500	00
Number of Parsonages		11	00.000	00
Value			20,800	00

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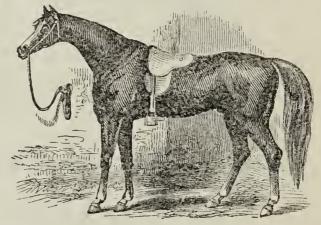
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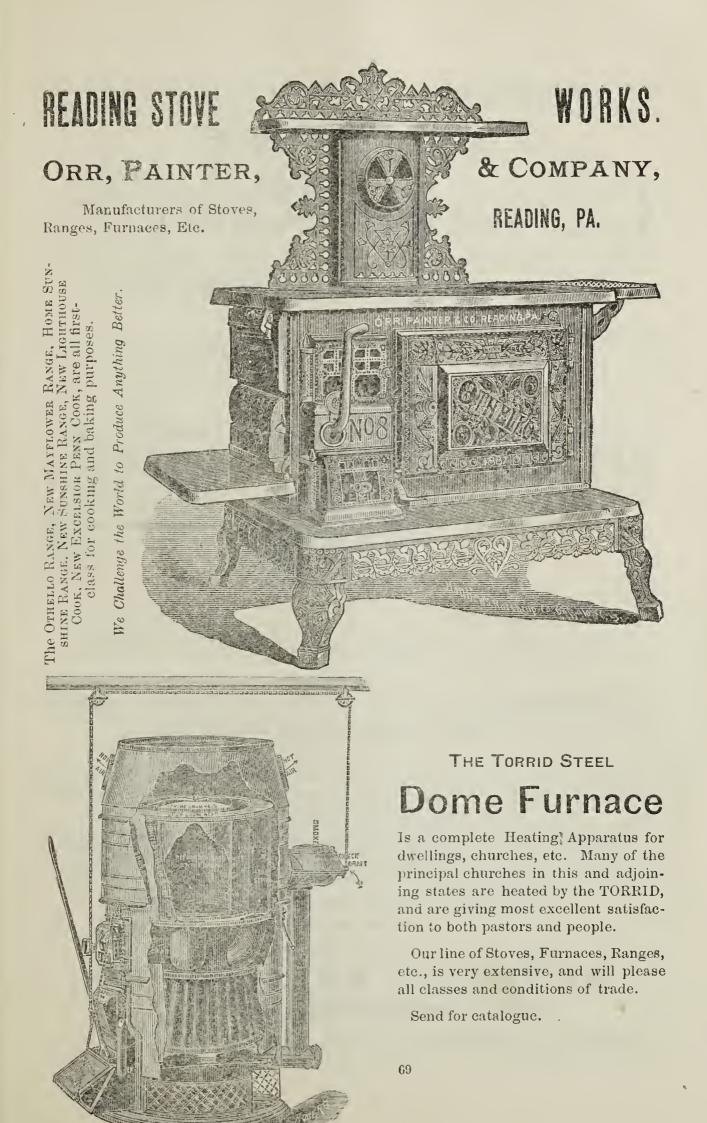
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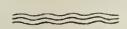
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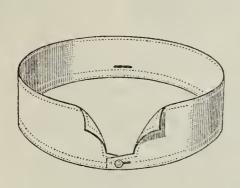
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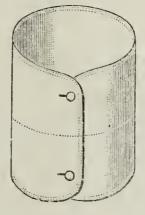
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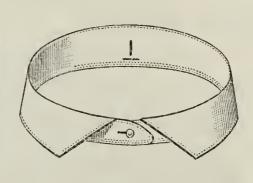
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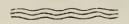
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